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" (b) Yes.

" (c) No.

" (d) The work was completed in 1954."

Bhoodan Movement

* 1823 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state with reference to answer dated 17th May 1954 to question No. 875 when the Government propose to undertake legislation to fecilitate land gifts under Bhoodan Movement?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN:—" The draft Madras Bhoodan Yagna Bill, 1955, is under consideration of the Government."

Survey of lands reserved for Harijans in Panathody, Kasaragod taluk

* 1824 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the survey of the lands reserved for Harijans in Panathody village in Kasaragod taluk, South Kanara has been compieted;

(b) if not why;

(c) how many families have so far been settled there; and

(d) what action the Government have taken against those who have made encroachments on the land?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU:—" (a) No. Sir.

" (b) The extent to be surveyed measures about 750 acres. The Survey special staff of one Deputy Surveyor and three chainmen employed for the survey work, commenced the work on 13th September 1953. The nature of the work is such that rapid progress could not be shown. The onset of the monsoon at the beginning of June 1954 and certain administrative difficulties in keeping a Deputy Surveyor continuously on the job also contributed to the delay in the completion of the work.

" (c) 21 families.

" (d) Necessary action to evict the encroachers is being taken in respect of the ecroachments detected in the reserved lands."